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RE ISSUECAFETERIA AS COVER FOR ABRU: HIS PARTNER APPEL
(1944)

From: NEW YORK

To: MOSCOW

No.: 625

5th May 1944

[Addressee unrecovered]

In mail[POChTA] No. 2 we informed you that cover had been fixed up for ABRU[i]. He [2 groups unrecovered] directly to set up the cafeteria. For this we gave him the authorised advance of 2,000. ABRU's partner in the cafeteria, a certain APPEL[APPEL'][ii], had several relatives in[a] the business and ABRU came to suspect that APPEL was stealing a [C¹ valuable] business from him. [C² To improve control] and to expand the business, he decided to run the cafeteria himself.

(42 groups unrecovered)

APPEL

(79 groups unrecovered)

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dollars.

[9 groups unrecoverable]

[Internal Serial No. unrecovered]

[Signature unrecovered]

Note: [a] It is assumed that "in" is understood and it has, therefore, been inserted by the translator. Without the insertion of "in", the literal translation would be "... had the business of several relatives".

Comments: [i] ABRJM: ~~X~~ Jack SOBLE.

[ii] APPEL: Available information indicates that a Sam APPEL was in some way connected with the S and V cafeteria which was set up by Jack SOBLE and his brother-in-law, Arnold WOLSTON.

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